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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ENRG

SUBJECT: ACTION MEMORANDUM: FRENCH INVITATION TO PREPCON

S/S 7504340

FOR SECRETARY FROM ENDERS

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF MESSAGE I SUGGEST WE SEND TO IEA  
COUNTRIES AND OPEC POSTS REGARDING FRENCH INVITATIONS;  
HARTMAN, SONNENFELDT CONCUR.

BEGIN TEXT:

1. FOR IEA POSTS: YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONVEY FOLLOW-  
ING MESSAGE TO APPROPRIATE HOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.
2. US RECEIVED ON MARCH 1 INVITATION FROM FRENCH GOVERN-  
MENT TO ATTEND PREPARATORY MEETING IN PARIS BEGINNING  
APRIL 7. WE UNDERSTAND THAT INVITATIONS HAVE ALSO BEEN  
SENT TO ALGERIA, SAUDI ARABIA, IRAN, VENEZUELA, BRAZIL,  
ZAIRE, INDIA, JAPAN AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY.

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3. FRENCH GOVERNMENT INFORMED US IN ADVANCE THAT IT

INTENDED TO ISSUE INVITATIONS THIS WEEK IN ORDER THAT OPEC GOVERNMENTS WOULD HAVE THEM BEFORE SUMMIT MEETING NEXT WEEK. WE REPLIED THAT WE DID NOT CONSIDER THAT CONDITIONS SPECIFIED IN THE MARTINIQUE AGREEMENT AND THE DECEMBER 19-20 IEA GOVERNING BOARD DECISION HAVE YET BEEN SATISFIED.

WHILE SUBSTANTIAL AGREEMENT HAS BEEN ACHIEVED ON CONSUMER COUNTRY COOPERATION IN FINANCIAL MATTERS AND CONSERVATION, SATISFACTORY PROGRESS HAS NOT YET BEEN MADE TOWARD CONSUMER COUNTRY COOPERATION IN ACCELERATED DEVELOPMENT OF NEW ENERGY. WE CONCLUDED THAT WE SHOULD WAIT UNTIL THE REQUISITE CONSUMER SOLIDARITY IS ACHIEVED BEFORE PROCEEDING TO SEND FORMAL INVITATIONS TO THE PREPARATORY MEETING. FURTHERMORE, WE TOOK EXCEPTION TO THE NOTION THAT THE CONSUMERS OUGHT TO GEAR THEMSELVES TO OPEC MEETINGS.

4. WE HOPE THAT SUBSTANTIAL AGREEMENT ON CONSUMER COOPERATION ON ACCELERATED DEVELOPMENT CAN BE MADE AT MARCH 6-7 IEA MEETING. BUT, IN ANY EVENT, WE WILL NOT RESPOND TO FRENCH INVITATION UNTIL SATISFACTORY PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE BY CONSUMERS IN THIS AREA. IN VIEW OF DECEMBER 19-20 GOVERNING BOARD DECISION, WE RECOMMEND THAT JAPAN AND IEA COUNTRIES THAT ARE MEMBERS OF THE EEC TAKE A SIMILAR POSITION. THE ISSUE COULD THUS BE DISCUSSED AT THE GOVERNING BOARD.

5. FOR OPEC POSTS: YOU SHOULD DRAW ON ABOVE TO REPLY TO INQUIRIES FROM HOST GOVERNMENTS REGARDING US RESPONSE TO FRENCH INVITATION. YOU SHOULD STRESS THAT, AS WE HAVE EXPLAINED IN EARLIER COMMUNICATIONS, WE BELIEVE THAT CONSUMER COUNTRY AGREEMENT ON FRAMEWORK OF THIS COOPERATION IN FINANCIAL MATTERS, CONSERVATION, AND DEVELOPMENT OF NEW SUPPLIES IS ESSENTIAL PRE-CONDITION TO A SUCCESSFUL AND PRODUCTIVE DIALOGUE BETWEEN PRODUCERS AND CONSUMERS.

END TEXT.

RECOMMENDATION:

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THAT YOU APPROVE THE SENDING OF THE CABLES.

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